

## House Resolution No. 1466

**Whereas**, it is with heavy hearts that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the significant achievements of a life gone by, that of Odell E. Wagner, who passed to his eternal reward April 3, 2003; and

**Whereas**, Odell Wagner came into this world in Morrill, Kansas, on January 30, 1928, as the tiny infant son born to proud and loving parents Edward and Kathryn Bestwick Wagner, who welcomed him into their hearts as a precious gift from God; and

**Whereas**, Odell Wagner completed his education at Hiawatha High School in Hiawatha, Kansas, and went on to provide a safe and secure future for his loved ones through many years of stellar employment as a head engineer for the United Telephone Company, from which he retired in 1983; and

**Whereas**, Odell Wagner embarked upon a new and exciting chapter in his life when he married his beloved Harriett A. Campbell during a very special wedding ceremony on October 9, 1949, in Pontiac, Illinois; and

**Whereas**, a devout member of the First Presbyterian Church of Warrensburg, Odell Wagner compiled an enviable list of service to his community through his affiliation with such important organizations as the Masonic Lodge, Houn Daug Shrine Club, Elks Lodge #673, and Central Missouri State University, for which he was a timekeeper for the football program and head finish line judge for the indoor and outdoor track programs; and

**Whereas**, Odell Wagner leaves behind to cherish his memory his devoted wife of fifty-three years, Harriett Wagner; his four children, Kathy Robertson of Gallatin, Michael Wagner of Springfield, Richard Wagner of Carrollton, Texas, and Charles Wagner of Wylie, Texas; his brother, Gerald Wagner of Hiawatha, Kansas; his sister, Lenis Grafe of Orange City, Florida; and his eleven grandchildren and one great-grandchild:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in paying final tribute to Odell Wagner, a remarkable gentleman of peace and kindness in this world who will be sadly missed by all those who had the rare privilege of knowing and loving him; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the widow of the late Odell E. Wagner, as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative David Pearce  
District No. 121

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1466, adopted April 7, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker